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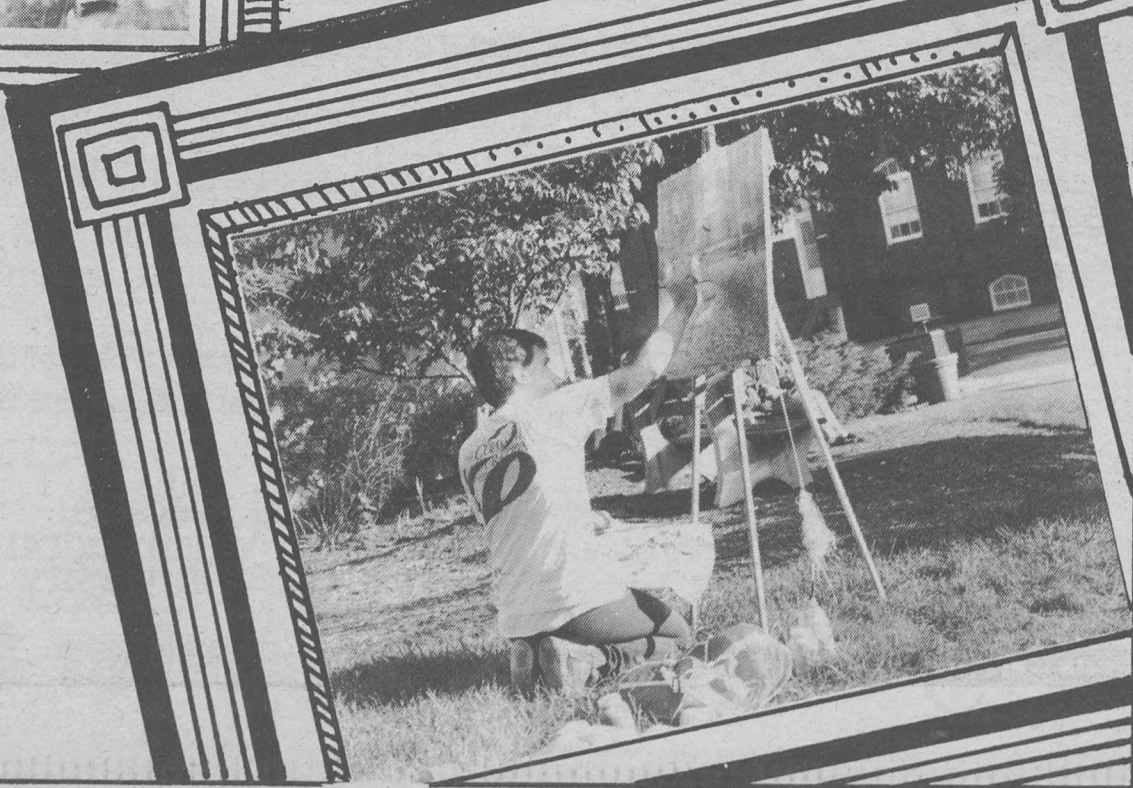
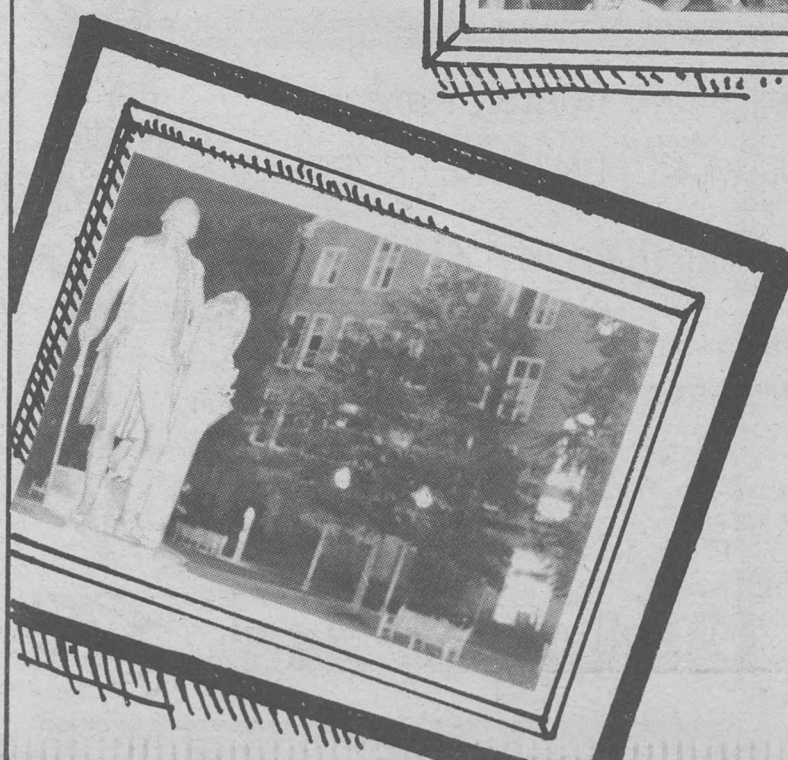
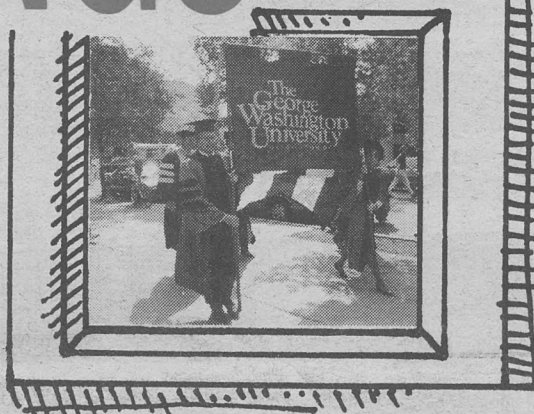
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Bedrock 'n Bowl
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DC Beginnings — Scavenger Hunt
1 - 5 pm, Marvin Center Ballroom, 3rd floor

Saturday, August 27

Thurston Hall Late Night Social
9 pm, Thurston Hall Cafeteria

Sunday, August 28

Holocaust Museum Tour
Thurston Hall
"Jurassic Park"
9 pm, University Yard

Monday, August 29

Opening Convocation
The Official Celebration of the Academic Year
6:30 pm, Marvin Theatre
Welcome Fair, 12 - 2 pm
Academic Center Breezeway
Comedian Geoff Brown
9 pm, Lisner Auditorium

Tuesday, August 30

ISS Global Bazaar
2 pm, Gelman Yard
Hypnotist Tom DeLuca
9 pm, Lisner Auditorium

Wednesday, August 31

MSSC Barbecue
3 - 6 pm, Gelman Yard

Thursday, September 1

"Marvin's Rockin' Schoolhouse"
Night in the Marvin Center
9 pm - 2 am

Saturday, September 3

H Street Fest, 12 - 6 pm, H Street

Sunday, September 4

Holocaust Museum Tour, Thurston Hall
"Shear Madness" at the Kennedy Center
6 pm, Meet 1st floor Marvin Center
Back to School Dance
9 pm, Marvin Center Ballroom

Monday, September 5

Labor Day Greek Barbecue
12 - 2 pm, University Yard

For more information, pick up a complete schedule of Welcome Week activities in the Marvin Center, or call Campus Activities at 994-6555 for additional locations and times.

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Welcome Week '94 is prehistoric fun

'Bedrock 'n' Bowl' kicks off activities

by Erin McLaughlin
Features Editor

In the beginning, we all carried cartoon lunchboxes and wore our best new clothes. After more than a dozen first days of school, we celebrate GW's 1994 Welcome Week with the theme "In the Beginning," conjuring up images of dinosaurs and other creatures of the past.

Tim Gore, summer co-coordinator of Campus Activities, said this year's Welcome Week events are much like those of the past. "What has been a success previously continues to please," he said.

Gore and fellow co-coordinator Ellen Maccarone have headed the organization of events, aided by student, faculty and staff volunteers.

Welcome Week kicks off on Thursday with "Bedrock and Bowl" on the Marvin Center's fifth floor. Students can bowl, play video games, watch classic episodes of "The Flintstones" and enjoy pizza and other refreshments at George's.

A citywide scavenger hunt, which Gore said is still in the "planning stages," is scheduled for Friday. The hunt gives new students the opportunity to learn about GW and Washington, while competing with their fellow students for prizes.

On Saturday a social complete with a disc jockey, free food and hopefully some dancing takes place in the Thurston Hall cafeteria.

Aug. 28 spotlights a trip to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. One hundred tickets are available Saturday and Sunday for reserve. In the evening, *Jurassic Park* plays on the University Yard.

On Aug. 29, the welcome fair is in the Academic Center breezeway. Student organizations from big to small will have information booths recruiting the interested.

At 9 p.m., comedian Geoff Brown cracks up students in Lisner Auditorium. After viewing dozens of tapes, Gore said he and Maccarone chose Brown because he "really made us laugh."

On Aug. 30, the International Student Society sponsors a global bazaar in the Gelman Library yard. Comedian/hypnotist Tom Deluca, a Welcome

Week favorite, rocks Lisner Auditorium at 8 p.m.

On Aug. 31, ice cream and religion mix from noon to 2 p.m. when the Board of Chaplains sponsors an ice cream social in the Gelman yard, spotlighting the different religious services the GW community offers. The Multicultural Student Services Center sponsors a barbecue in the Gelman yard from 3 to 6 p.m. The barbecue helps new students meet and mingle.

On Sept. 1, from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., Marvin's Rockin' Schoolhouse is in the Marvin Center. With a "Back to School" theme there, activities in almost every part of the Marvin Center abound. On the first floor, samples of food from the J Street food court are offered and the movie *Grease* is featured in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre.

The Colonial Commons will be filled with swinging clubs at the miniature golf course. On the third floor, local bands, including Remote Control, will play in the ballroom. Outside on the terrace there may be a 48-foot slide, though Gore said it is still in the planning stages. On the fifth floor karaoke, food and drink will be available at George's.

On Sept. 3, the H Street Festival fills H Street between 21st and 22nd streets. Local artisans and merchants, such as Britches of Georgetown, will sell wares and sponsor giveaways.

On Sept. 4, the traditional trek to the Kennedy Center for "Shear Madness" culminates with a back to school dance in the Marvin Center ballroom. All are invited. Another 100 tickets to the Holocaust museum are also available for the day.

On Labor Day, Sept. 5, GW fraternities and sororities host a barbecue on the quad.

Don't despair about feeling let down after all of this excitement. On Sept. 10, the annual Fall Fest will be held on the quad from noon until 6 p.m. "Fall Back to Woodstock," which is this year's theme, promises rides as well as free food and T-shirts.

"We are going to make it a little more artsy-craftsy," said Suzanne Daugherty, who is coordinating Fall Fest for the Program Board. Fall Fest T-shirts will be black and white with optional tie-dyeing, Daugherty said.

Access Services extends hours to get IDs

Access Services in Gelman Library will have extended hours for the first two weeks of classes to handle the increased number of students and faculty needing GW identification cards, University Police Director Dolores Stafford said.

Access Services will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. from Aug. 29 until Sept. 9.

"The first two weeks of school are typically hectic," Stafford said. She said extended hours would help to

prevent long lines of students and faculty waiting for ID cards.

Stafford suggested that students plan to get their ID cards at non-peak times, such as early morning or late afternoon, in order to avoid the lines.

New students get their GW ID free; replacements for lost or damaged cards cost \$15.

-Donna Brutkoski



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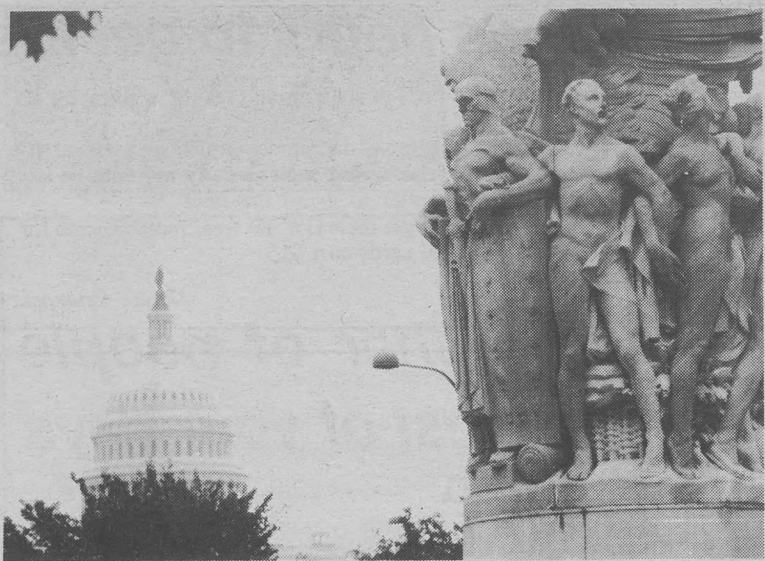


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One of the best ways to see the city is to take an afternoon to walk from GW's campus to the Capitol and back. During your walk, you'll see a wide range of statues, including the above work outside Union Station near Capitol Hill.

Sophomore recalls 1st-year jitters

by Erin McLaughlin
Features Editor

I don't know what channel "Murphy Brown" is on — or "Seinfeld" for that matter. Why? Because I'm not at home, I'm here. "Here" is a city I will live in for the next eight or nine months, a city filled with people I don't know who don't know me. Did I make the right choice?

Who knows? What I do know is that if my first month at GW was to be the precedent for what the next four years would be like, I wouldn't have returned. Three occurrences led to \$120 phone bills for both September and October.

First, GW sent me the wrong roommate assignment and put me in the wrong room. Evidently there was another student with exactly the same first and last name as me. Not only did I have to "move in" twice, but it also meant the awkward summer phone call to who I thought was my roommate and the distribution of my address to friends at home were both done in vain.

Second, I sprained my ankle the first week of school. Right from the beginning I learned the pleasures of Student Health when I limped myself there. Having never worn a cast before, I discovered the new and wonderful concept of showering with a plastic bag. Every step to each unknown building was filled with pain.

Third, I had \$110 worth of books stolen from my room the second week of school. Whoever said regret was expensive must have had a similar experience.

So, after all this (and I am not just sharing this hoping for a pity party), things did work out. It did take some action on my part, though. I moved out of my room after the theft. I realized no roommate meetings or chats with my RA were going to solve the problem, because in my mind I thought that "nothing could be worse." I moved into a six-person room in Thurston Hall and made five friends of my new roommates.

My leg healed and so did my homesickness, and eventually everything went from bad to OK to good. GW is a lot of things to different people, but it is not like any video or catalogue and it is not like Welcome Week, either. I don't think people should have to pretend they're having a great time or settle for situations they're not happy in. Don't fake it. If you're missing your family and friends from home, don't be afraid to talk about it. Show people pictures of your cat Muffin. Your roommates may not care, and they'll probably start whipping out pictures of their dog Spanky to show you.

I still don't know what channel "Murphy Brown" or "Seinfeld" is on. Why? Because I was never in front of the television long enough last year to find out.

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SA president urges students to get involved in campus life

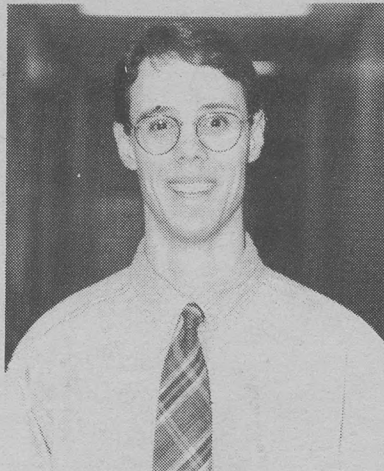
As president of the Student Association, it is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to your new home, GW. It truly is a university in the literal meaning of the word. It is a place that offers a universal amount of activities, from aerobic workouts in the Smith Center to going to the theater to studying zymogenesis — and everything in between. Moreover, if there is an activity or something you are interested in doing that does not already exist, all you have to do is start it. On a campus with more than 18,000 students, it really is just that easy.

The whole point is that you take advantage of this universal experience. Become involved in something new and different. Challenge your beliefs. Go out and become a part of this unique environment. Here you have nothing but opportunities, and it is up to you to choose what you will make of them. During the course of your studies, you will be the recipient of one of the greatest gifts imaginable — an education and the opportunity to do whatever it is you want. Be it going over calculus problems, throwing a frisbee on the University Yard, discussing politics or just kicking back and taking it easy with friends, there will always be something to do.

You are beginning one of the most important and memorable chapters of your life. Make the most of it. Take advantage of all that awaits you. Squeeze nothing. The only limit is your imagination.

At this point, I'd like to briefly tell you about an organization that affects your life here at GW, and one you may be interested in getting involved with, your Student Association. Your SA is the student government here at GW and is comprised of students just like yourself. It has three branches: the executive, the legislative and the judicial. Together, these branches work to serve students' needs.

Al Park



better. If you want to become involved or simply have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us. We are located in room 424 on the fourth floor of the Marvin Center. Just stop by or call us at 994-7100. During the course of the year, look for SA representatives, who will be on the first floor of the Marvin Center during lunch and all around campus at various times. These representatives are eager to talk with you and answer any questions you may have.

Once again, welcome to GW. I wish each of you the best of luck for a successful and fun year.

Al Park is president of the Student Association.

Some of the many services your SA provides are a test file to aid in exam preparation, academic evaluations to assist you in course selection and a week-long, fun-filled Homecoming celebration in February. These are just a few of the many ways your SA works for you. Additionally, your SA is the conduit to the university administration. Your SA is your voice.

The key to having a responsive Student Association that accurately represents your views is your involvement. We need your help in serving you

Wishing 1st week of school would go away

The week before school starts always scares me. It shouldn't — I've been going to school in one form or another for 17 years. But there's always an indescribable sense of finality and eeriness, if you will, that only manifests itself during this time of year.

When I was younger, it was simple. School was around the corner and summer was waning quickly by late August. My parents made me get used to the school routine going to bed at 9:00

and waking up early. I, like millions of other kids, was dragged along for the dreaded school shopping, trying on jeans while it was still 90 degrees. It was actually very routine, but I hated it as much as anyone.

Now, however, things are a little different. People file slowly back to GW, although some never left at all. To be on campus the last week of August is to witness a certain void, I've

concluded. Like waffles without powdered sugar, or something.

The reason for the "something's not quite right" feeling is explained. It's plain old embarrassing to see an acquaintance for the first time in three

Andrew Tarnoff

months and not remember his or her name. It's awkward when I would rather buy my books in peace than catch up on old times with some guy who lived six doors down from me in Thurston. Please leave me alone and we'll talk sometime later this fall. I'm having a hard enough time getting used to food from the Rat, for crow's sake.

The crux of this issue lies in the

fundamental difference between K-12 and college. In elementary school and high school, everyone knew each other. They were all thrust upon each other at once, forced to face the stark reality of another school year together. Not so in college. GW students have few friends, but zillions of acquaintances, many only known by their first names. You cannot introduce Steve or Jen what's-their-name to your parents without making an ass of yourself. You can't ignore their presence, either, which makes for an uncomfortable conundrum.

That week before school starts is a hot and muggy, half-dead, jet-lagged limbo between summer and a long semester. I wish I could make it go away, but that won't happen. On the other hand, I probably won't go to bed at 9 p.m. so I can wake up for my 8 a.m. class, either.

Andrew Tarnoff is associate editor of The GW Hatchet.

Get a life

Become fisher of people to make most of your days

"And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Matthew 4:19)

It is a jaded cliché that the most important benefit of your college career lies in the friendships you make. How suspiciously convenient it is that those who argue most strongly for the value of a big social life are often the poorest students.

"Um, yeah, man," such a student might say, "I didn't get a Fulbright or anything but, dude, you know I really made some great friends in college — now would you like fries with that?" These are the graduates most likely to become employees of the radio station, 99.1 WHFS.

There is, indeed, a general misgiving in academia about the compatibility of intellectual life with student life. Not too long ago, President Trachtenberg quipped that he "works for a corporation that provides housing, entertainment and a little education on the side." That remark suggests that much of student life is merely entertainment and therefore at odds with true education.

Williams College in Massachusetts even outlawed its fraternities because they were believed to be "too anti-intellectual." (The fact that the college discovered prostitutes from Canada in one of the frat houses didn't help to persuade their board of trustees otherwise.)

But, *Animal House* to the contrary, a prosperous social life and a successful academic career need not be mutually exclusive. In fact, in the final analysis, they are quite inseparable.

No man or woman born can competently argue that there is anything more important in life than people. And if academic inquiry has any value it is only because it bears some relationship to that humanity. Any other motivation produces mere pedantry and pointless exercise.

There is, to be sure, real pleasure to be had in learning for learning's sake. The sense of mastery that comes from academic achievement is one of the most fulfilling feelings. But part of that fulfillment comes from knowing that we are in some way forming a bond with those who gave us that knowledge.

Isaac Newton, for example, emphasized the fact that he was "standing on the shoulders of giants" when he made his discoveries. He was being modest. But he was also suggesting that there is a link that connects all of those searching for truth. Seen in this light, learning becomes a very social endeavor.

Beyond this feeling of fellowship among scholars, there is an even greater aspiration that what the scholar is involved in will somehow improve the lot of succeeding generations.

There is absolutely nothing romantic about nasal tissue (and I'm not talking about Kleenex). No young child announces to her parents that she adores thinking about renal failure. And I don't know any geneticists who chose their career out of a love for low level radiation. But what does motivate such people is the hope that their research will benefit humanity, either by direct, practical application or by adding to our appreciation of what life has to offer.

A prosperous social life gives the scholar nothing less than a reason for existing. The more joy one finds in people, the more incentive one has to labor on their behalf.

One of GW's greatest strengths happens to be its people. Their diversity is inspiring. In my three years at GW, I have met people from Bangladesh, Pakistan, Italy, Bolivia, Japan, Yemen, Iraq, Nigeria, India, Mexico, Malaysia, South Korea, Egypt, Iran, Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, China, Israel, the Philippines, the Virgin Islands, Syria, and even Montana. And that's a modest sampling, since our student body hails from a total of 44 countries. Here are representatives of every stripe reminding us everyday what a piece of work is man.

So you want to make the most of your academic career these next four years? Become a fisher of people.

-Rob Ganz III

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Student activism a part of life at GW

Demonstrations are a local tradition

by David Joyner
Asst. News Editor

Being the nation's capital, Washington, D.C., has a long history of protest.

Being in the nation's capital, so does GW.

The contemporary days of student unrest stretch back to October 1967, when more than 60,000 demonstrators stormed the grounds of the Lincoln Memorial and the Pentagon to protest the Vietnam War.

About 200 GW students participated in October's activities, which resulted in 647 arrests.

Military police, federal marshals and district police officers were called upon to handle the hordes of activists.

Other area schools also have seen their share of student protest. In March 1968, more than 800 Howard University students stormed the Howard administration building. The students were protesting the University's policy concerning 39 students who were disciplined after a protest during Charter Day exercises at the school.

The four-day stand off ended when a compromise was reached by Howard's Board of Trustees and student activists.

In April 1968, then-Maryland Gov. Spiro Agnew sent between 100 and 150 riot-trained, armed state police to quell a student protest at Bowie State University in nearby Prince George's County.

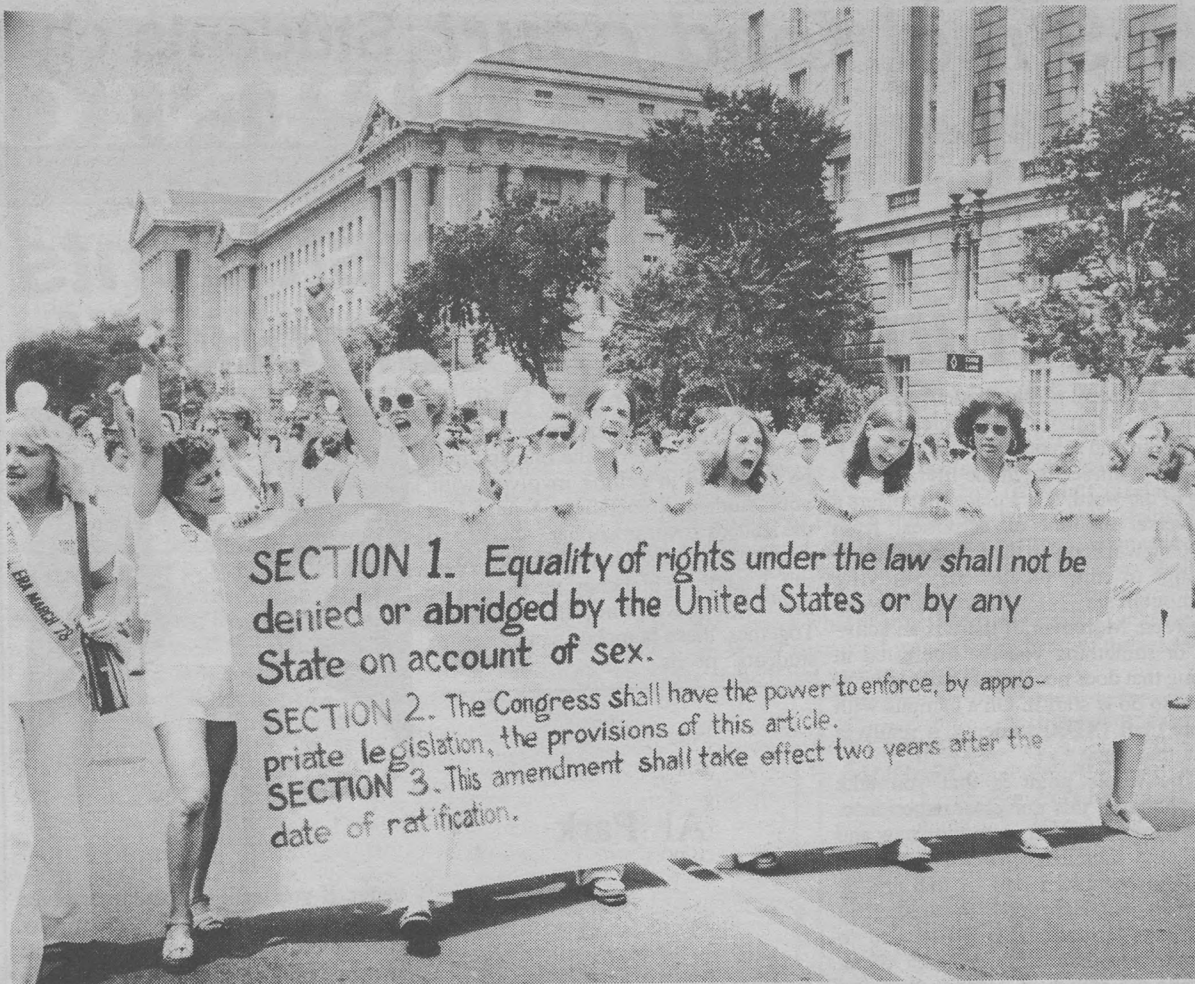
That same month, Washington erupted into flames after the assassination of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

The riot engulfed the area of H Street between Sixth and 15th streets Northwest. The 6th Armored Cavalry of the U.S. Army was called in to restore order.

April 1968 also saw the quiet march of over 200 GW students on Rice Hall. The students activists sought a more black-oriented curriculum, job benefits for blacks and increased black student enrollment.

Students assembled at the administration building on I Street, but never entered the facility.

A student rally protesting the investigation of the House Un-American Activities Committee into violent



GW and Washington, D.C., are both sites of many a protest over the years, including a 1970s sit-in at Rice Hall (top, left) and the Equal Rights Amendment march on Washington in 1978 (above). Rudy Haak of Mesick, Mich., (right) attends a summer gun control rally.

demonstrations in Chicago involved about 2,000 people behind the University Library. The House Committee was looking into incidents that took place at the meeting of the Democratic National Convention in the summer of the same year.

November demonstrations in 1968 led to the arrest of more than 20 students on the GW campus. Protests spilled onto the GW campus from other areas within the district and involved members of the National Socialist White People's Party.

The GW activity resulted from an illegal march of about 1,000 students on Washington's Lafayette Park, which involved 80 arrests when marchers clashed with area police.

Students also staged sit-ins at GW's Rice and Thurston halls during that same year.

Many area demonstrations resulted from the organization of students groups. The Students for a Democratic Society and the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee led protests throughout the Washington area during the 1960s.

The 1960s, however, were not the only time that area students have been involved in protest.

As recently as last year, students at the National Law Center protested outside Rice Hall. Tuition and funding were among the concerns of many disgruntled students.

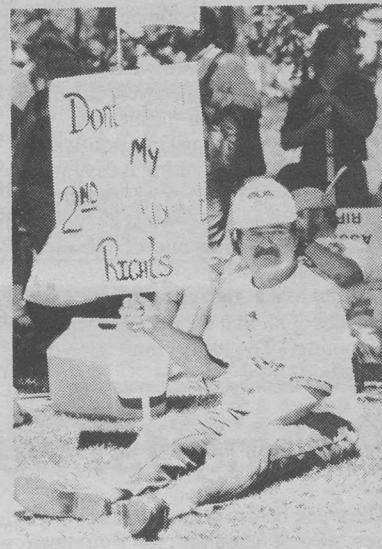


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Being safe on campus, in D.C. takes common sense

by Donna Brutkoski
Asst. News Editor

Being on your own in a city like Washington, D.C., and at a school like GW is fun, but it is also a big responsibility. Safety is a major concern for GW students.

University Police Director Dolores Stafford and Executive Director of Campus Life LeNorman Strong offer some tips on how to keep yourself from running into trouble, both in your residence hall and around campus:

Keep careful track of your personal belongings. Theft is the most common crime at GW, Stafford said. There were 659 reported thefts on campus in 1993.

Always lock the door of your residence hall room, even if you are just going down the hall. Keep your keys and GW ID with you at all times and do not lend them to anyone.

UPD has two programs that help you protect your belongings. Through the Operation Identification program, students can have their possessions engraved with their driver's license number to aid in their recovery if they are ever stolen.

Operation "You Could Have Been Ripped Off" lets students know, through signs left by officers on unlocked doors or unattended bikes and backpacks, when their belongings were in danger because of negligence.



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University police officers at the scene of a crime.

"Most thefts are preventable," Stafford said. "We need to make sure that students are securing their property."

UPD also has a lost and found, where items whose owners cannot be identified are held for 30 days, Stafford said.

She advised students with missing possessions to check periodically with the lost and found.

"Your room is your home, and your

floor and your building are your neighborhood. Know your neighbors," Strong advised.

Protect yourself on the streets of campus. Don't walk alone at night. If you need to go somewhere alone, call UPD's Escort Service. Two escort vans run from 7:30 p.m. to 4 a.m. every day and take students to anywhere on campus and up to three blocks away

from campus.

Women who want to learn self-defense techniques to better protect themselves from assault can sign up for the Rape Aggression Defense (RAD)

program. Stafford said an advanced RAD II course will be offered, beginning this semester, for women who have already completed RAD.

If you are a victim of some type of assault, whether sexual or otherwise, UPD, the University Counseling Center and the D.C. Rape Crisis Center offer a wide variety of services to help you.

If you are involved in an emergency situation and need UPD assistance, use one of the emergency call boxes. There are 20 call boxes, each marked by a blue

light, at various points on campus. Pressing the call button on any one of these boxes immediately connects the caller to the UPD dispatcher, who can then locate the student and send help.

Victims or witnesses of crimes on campus should report immediately to UPD. In an emergency, call 994-6111 — calls are taken 24 hours a day. Officers will be dispatched to the scene to investigate and give victims whatever type of help is necessary. Students may be asked for assistance in

filing a report on an incident. UPD will then refer cases to Judicial Affairs, if necessary.

Officers patrol the GW campus 24 hours a day by car, foot and bicycle. Thurston Hall's security desk is manned by an officer at all times.

In non-emergency situations, such as lockouts, students should call 994-6110. Stafford said the image of UPD has steadily improved since her arrival on campus in September 1992.

"One of the things I kept hearing was that students didn't know anything about UPD," she said. She and her staff have worked to change that through additional programming and informational services.

This year UPD introduced a new publication, "The Security Blanket," which outlines UPD procedures, programs and services. Stafford said the yearly publication was distributed at Colonial Inauguration and will be mailed to all new students at their campus addresses.

By law, UPD is also required to publish a policy handbook. Stafford said this handbook is helpful, but "The Security Blanket" is an easier read for students and will help to make more students aware of UPD's role on campus.

UPD's headquarters are in the Woodhull House on the corner of 21st and G streets.

J Street food court to open this week

by Donna Brutkoski
and Elissa Leibowitz
Staff Writers

The Marvin Center is home to a new, multi-million dollar food court that is the first of its kind at any university nationwide.

The J Street food court on the first floor of the Marvin Center was packed for its trial run Aug. 19. Students and staff were treated to a complementary lunch as the \$4.6 million eatery opened its door for the first time.

Sophomore Anthony Arciere said the new food court will "make everyone want to eat on campus."

The court features eight eating options, from pepperoni pizza and pasta to eggrolls and espressos, and will include a grab-and-go diner that will be open 24 hours several days a week, said Dining Services General Manager George Cushman.

GW's dining vendor, ServiceMaster, included the renovations as part of its bid for the food contract at GW, Cushman explained. The company worked all summer to prepare for J Street's Aug. 22 grand opening.

"It's been grueling," Cushman said. "But you're not going to find another university with this."

The food court is divided into small, cafeteria-style food lines and small eating areas, but also has a large common area decked out in wood floors, hunter green trim and chairs and tapestry booths. Enlarged photos of campus life at GW

throughout the years are lacquered to the tabletops.

Junior Jodi Reborchick said she was impressed with the design of the dining room.

"The students will be really surprised to see this when they get back," she said. "The stools at the deli counter spin and everything!"

But more impressive are the food stations, which were set up to operate individually to avoid long lines at the cash registers, said Tom Morgan, director of food services.

Georgio's is the Italian restaurant with pizza, pasta and salads, and La Cantina de Marta features Mexican dishes and deli sandwiches. The Colonial Grill is the place for burgers and fries, while J Street Express is good for grab-and-go items.

ServiceMaster was able to include outside vendors in the food court, including Bernie's, a Tex-Mex vendor from Union Station, and Chinese food from Panda's Rice Bowl.

Students can enjoy coffee and other trendy drinks at the espresso bar or get table service at the Foggy Bottom diner, which will be opened for 24 hours Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays, Cushman said.

Otherwise, J Street will be open until midnight each night, Cushman said, and can accommodate up to 660 people.

"I'm amazed that this is the old Marvin Center," said junior Katherine Grainger, who dined on Mexican food during the food court's trial run.

Students charged with Code of Conduct

by Tracy Sisser
Managing Editor

Students who are far away from home and parental supervision may find freedom they never had before.

Those who do find this freedom may also find themselves in the Dean of Students office because of Student Code of Conduct violations.

The Student Code of Conduct gives guidelines for student behavior. Violations may lead to fines, suspension or expulsion. For some violations there is a standard penalty. For example, if a student is charged with drinking, the standard sanction is a \$50 fine. The student must also attend an alcohol awareness program, said Mike Walker, administrator for student judicial services.

For violations that could lead to suspension or expulsion, students have two options. The student either attends a conference with Walker or appears before the Hearing Board, a panel of five students. The board hears the student's case and then makes a recommendation to Assistant Dean of Students Jan-Mitchell Sherrill, who usually confirms the panel's decision.

Charges can be brought on by an incident report from the University Police Department or from a member of the University community, Walker said. The notice is hand-delivered by a resident assistant if the student lives on campus or is sent via registered mail if the student lives off campus.

The student is then assigned a date to meet either with Walker or with the graduate assistant to discuss the charge. Walker and the student then determine if there is a case for a code violation and resolve the description and range of the violation.

Students may be charged independently by the University Police Department, Walker said.

Walker said the highest number of violations are usually recorded in the early and middle part of the first semester. "October is our busiest month," Walker said.

He added that students see drinking as an acceptable norm because all their peers engage in it. However, he said trouble occurs when students are intoxicated.

As a result of congressional legislation, judicial records are part of a student's educational records. The Buckley Amendment allows only students to get copies of their records and prohibits parents and others from having access to them.

A student's judicial affairs record is kept on file for three years and is then expunged, Walker said. If there are no violations after a year, the student can write a letter to the assistant dean to have the record expunged. Dean of Students Linda Donnels, however, has the right to have a note made on the transcript of the violation.

More than 350 violations were recorded last year by the Office of Judicial Affairs.



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Mike Walker,
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Big fun lies beyond Beltway for those weary of life in town

by Jennifer Hanson
Senior Staff Writer

City life is an integral part of the GW experience, but sometimes you may want to escape from the perils of the concrete jungle to a more bucolic setting outside the Beltway. For those of you who are tired of the D.C. scene and all that it has to offer, here are some alternatives you may want to try:

● **Great Falls National Park** is only half an hour away on Interstate 66 west and has a lot to offer the nature lover. Along with spectacular scenery lies an observation deck and a boat house, offering a lot of activity for an afternoon outside.

● If it's fun and adventure you seek, **Busch Gardens, Adventure World** or **King's Dominion** may be for you. Busch Gardens is in Williamsburg, Va., about three hours from Washington and is a fun colonial theme park.

Adventure World is much closer (about half an hour from GW) in Largo, Md. A lot of splashing around in its array of water rides makes for fountains of fun in a nearby location.

King's Dominion also offers tons of fun in the sun. The Days of Thunder ride is highly recommended. It's easy to reach in about an hour on Interstate 395 south, and you won't be sorry you went.

Be prepared, however, to stand in line and pay outrageous prices for food and drink at these places. It's a good idea to bring your own snacks and beverages. It saves money, and you don't have to wait in long lines.

● If shopping is what you crave, head for **Potomac Mills**. With all of the outlet stores offering incredibly low prices on everything under the sun, there's just no better place to shop. It's easy to get to on 395 south (about 20 minutes away), and

there are plenty of places to rest your feet and sip a cool drink if you get weary of purchasing items at bargain basement prices.

● **Baltimore** offers a lot of activity, too. Be sure not to miss the **National Aquarium**. By taking Interstate 495 north — which turns into 695 — and then following the signs for the Inner Harbor, you should have no trouble finding this spectacle. Or take the MARC train from Union Station to Baltimore for a low fee.

Admission to the aquarium is \$11.50 for adults. It's open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Bayside shops, boating and excellent seafood restaurants can also all be found in Baltimore. You can enjoy live music every afternoon at 4:30 p.m. at Fells Point. Call (410) 327-8360 for details.

The Baltimore Convention and Visitor Association has many helpful hints for activities as well as directions. Call (410) 837-4636.

● **Ocean City, Md.**, is also great for its food, boating and beaches. One warning . . . Ocean City appears to attract a younger crowd these days, so you may want to steer clear of this if you're not in the mood to deal with any high schoolers on your weekend off.

● **Virginia Beach, Va.**, however, has a slightly more mature crowd on average. It is four hours away when you take Interstate 395 south and follow the signs for Virginia Beach. Take your sunscreen and a beach towel . . . the fun will follow.

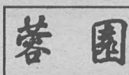
● For the student with an exceptional amount of extra time and money on the weekend, the beaches and (if you're legal) casinos of **Atlantic City, N.J.**, are an option. Buses and trains run to Atlantic City at reasonable rates and times.

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ARTS & FEATURES

Discover theaters in nation's capital

How to become part of cultural elite

by Alex Rosenheim
Senior Staff Writer

So you've just arrived in Washington, D.C. Soon, your parents will want to know what you have been doing with your spare time. Rather than entertaining them with the finer details of your newfound expertise in the ancient art of the beer bong, they (and you) might be interested in some of the more culturally stimulating (and occasionally cool) activities our fine city has to offer.

You will need to know four words: The Washington City Paper. This will be your guide to life for the next four (or five or six) years. In it lies a plethora of knowledge almost but not quite as nifty as New York's The Village Voice.

The City Paper covers any cool clubs, new museum exhibits, new movies, books and music and any other cultural events. Since clubs and museums are already covered in this issue of The Hatchet, I get to mention everything else.

Your folks will be truly impressed with the fact that you now live within walking distance of the Kennedy Center. The Office of Campus Life's Welcome Week will sponsor a Sept. 4 showing of "Shear Madness," a time-honored tradition here at GW. The Kennedy Center presents shows as diverse as new plays from Wendy

Wasserstein and Pearl Cleage to blockbusters like "Miss Saigon" with its magical helicopter and grand vocal talents.

True shlock is presented by the Reduced Shakespeare Theatre Company and "The Real LIVE Brady Bunch." Best of all, students can get half-price tickets for most shows. Weekends sometimes sell out, but you can usually get seats for weeknight performances.

Wide-release movie theaters are easy to find. I recommend AMC Courthouse for quality (it's two stops away by Metro), and the Odeon West End for mere convenience (it's located just north of campus and within walking distance). But for those interested in weird foreign films or just some interesting independents, look into the Biograph, the Key and the American Film Institute. The Biograph and the Key, both in Georgetown, mainly show hip new releases. The Biograph is also well-known for having the best snack bar in the city. Cineplex Odeon Dupont Circle also shows hard-to-find new releases. I like Dupont because of its proximity to Kramerbooks and Afterwards Cafe (open 24 hours on the weekend).

This month, the AFI, housed snugly in the Kennedy Center, is presenting classic films that are more difficult to find. This month it has been showing



"Miss Saigon" runs at the Kennedy Center through October and includes impressive and technical stage sets.

classic westerns about Wyatt Earp and several Hitchcock films, as well as the inevitable foreign film.

But in my opinion, the one theatre you MUST get to is the Uptown. Just a block from the Cleveland Park Metro stop on the Red Line, the Uptown boasts the biggest screen and best sound system, not to mention the only balcony in D.C. The Uptown normally shows first-run movies, but occasionally

presents a big screen classic like *Star Wars*, *Gone With The Wind* or *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

For those who don't mind a short Metro ride into the suburbs, Wolftrap's season does not end until the middle of September. This open-air arena offers a wide variety of entertainment. It has hosted groups from the National Symphony Orchestra to the Beach Boys and everything in between. The season

will be concluding with the likes of The Band and Roger Daltrey as well as a blues music festival featuring B.B. King and Little Feat.

Hopefully, before your graduation you can check out the finer side of Washington. You just might find something you don't regret wasting a night on (I know I have). Don't worry.

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ARTS & FEATURES

Musical journey begins with top 10 college CDs

by David Larimer
Arts Editor

The fabled expansion of one's horizons that occurs in college refers in great part to music. In fact, for many, learning the names of the members of the Grateful Dead is the foremost factual discovery made in college.

You will be exposed to a lot of different sounds as you amble through the hallowed halls of higher knowledge, ranging from stumbling onto a good local band at a club to learning that your roommate has Warrant's complete discography. Hopefully these 10 albums will whet your appetite to sample the great deal that lies in the great beyond.

Beastie Boys, *Paul's Boutique* (Capitol). An album that teaches an important lesson to all starry-eyed college students: After selling 50 billion copies of what was effectively a novelty record, the Beastie Boys broke from their Svengali producer and made a groundbreaking album. It stiffed. But five years later they were selling 50 billion albums again anyway.

De La Soul, *3 Feet High and Rising* (Tommy Boy). Still the most fun hip-hop has ever put on one album. And still a terrific alternative to the omnipresent gangsterism.

Jane's Addiction, *Nothing's Shocking* (Warner Bros.). The group that helped spawn the current strain of alternative music that threatens to overwhelm us all.

Bob Marley and the Wailers, *Legend* (Island). The album owned by every single person who only owns one reggae album and for pretty good reason.

Pink Floyd, *The Wall* (Capitol). The ultimate concept album from those venerable masters of art rock. Sing along with the chorus of kiddies ("We don't need no education") as you slave away.

Pixies, *Doolittle* (Elektra/Asylum). The former Black Francis and current Breeders frontwoman together in the same group, making incredibly cool music full of unintelligible lyrics while completely loathing each other. If that ain't college music, what is?

Public Enemy, *It Takes a Nation of Millions to Hold Us Back* (Def Jam). Hip-hop's take on *What's Going On* for the '80s and '90s and on and on.

R.E.M., *Murmur* (EMI). The original college band has since gone on to enormous mainstream success, but take comfort in the fact that perhaps their best stuff remains unnoticed.

Van Morrison, *Best of Van Morrison* (Polygram). Prepare to hear "Brown Eyed Girl" more than 14,000 times during your stay here. It never really gets old.

Violent Femmes, *Violent Femmes* (Slash). The perfect combination of collegiate angst and silliness. Twenty years from now this could be put on at a party and people would still shamelessly dance like fools and babble the words to "Add It Up."



photos by Abdul El-Tayef

The Smithsonian Castle is just one of many of the institution's museums, home to art of all kinds, including this African mask.

Avoid crowds at small galleries Places to go after you've seen the Smithsonian

by David Larimer
Arts Editor

It's no surprise that Washington, D.C., is famous for its museums. Many, however, stop exploring after a few trips to the Smithsonian.

The fact is that Washington is loaded with offbeat and lesser-known galleries and museums which can provide several worthwhile days of sightseeing and good ol' culture absorption.

Lenore Miller, director of GW's Dimock Gallery, and Penny Dwyer, Dimock's assistant curator, offer some suggestions for a few of Washington's lesser-known commercial and alternative galleries and museums:

• More than a dozen contemporary galleries dot R Street Northwest

between Connecticut and Florida avenues, including Anton, Baumgartner, Robert Brown, Gallery K and Touchstone. Dwyer and Miller advise to keep an eye out for monthly group openings on selected Fridays. Most of the R Street galleries are open Tuesday through Saturday between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

• Galleries 1054, 1054 31st St. N.W., offers what Miller calls "a wide variety of images for every taste." It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

• Just a short jaunt from campus is the Sasakawa Peace Foundation USA Gallery, 1819 L St. N.W. Open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on the third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the gallery

examines the influence of Japanese culture in American art.

• Hillwood Museum, 4155 Linnean St. N.W., includes a fabulous collection of Russian art, Faberge jewels, gardens, a tea room and a replica of an Adirondack-style cabin with Native American artifacts. Reservations are required.

• And finally, while it is a part of the Smithsonian, the National Museum of American Art, Eighth and G streets Northwest, is a must see. It showcases Washington's best art collection and is complemented by spectacular design by renowned architect I.M. Pei. This one can be a full day in itself and is well worth it.

College flicks lack realism, but they're still fun to watch

by Jeff L. Feldheim
Staff Writer

Incoming freshmen at GW typically don't know quite what to expect. Few are naive enough to think that the spirit of Colonial Inauguration will carry on for the entire academic year. Nor should many believe that much of what film portrays of college life has much validity.

Take, for example, a movie like *Back to*

School. In this flick, Rodney Dangerfield plays a millionaire returning to college to gain the respect of his son and himself, while in the process buying off several professors and causing all sorts of goofy hijinks.

For those wrapped in self-delusion, the fact is, most parents won't invade their offsprings' lives to that degree, i.e., having secretaries take their class notes or hiring NASA to do their son's astronomy paper. And no one has to fret about a court martial-style final exam given by all of one's

professors simultaneously.

Back to School, though good for some laughs, doesn't score in the realism department.

Nor does *Revenge of the Nerds*. While many incoming freshmen are probably wondering what Greek life is like around here, they can rest assured that it is certainly not comparable with *Nerds*.

While Greeks engage in their share of craziness, *Nerds* takes it to a point where if the events

in the movie were really to happen, the entire campus would be arrested and destined to an eternity of required community service.

Of course, it's all in fun. Such movies are a great means of escape from reality. But, alas, it is all fantasy. The college experience at GW is a wonderful one, but it is a time of life that defines itself and does not need dramatization. After all, why make a realistic college film when one can just go through the experience first-hand?



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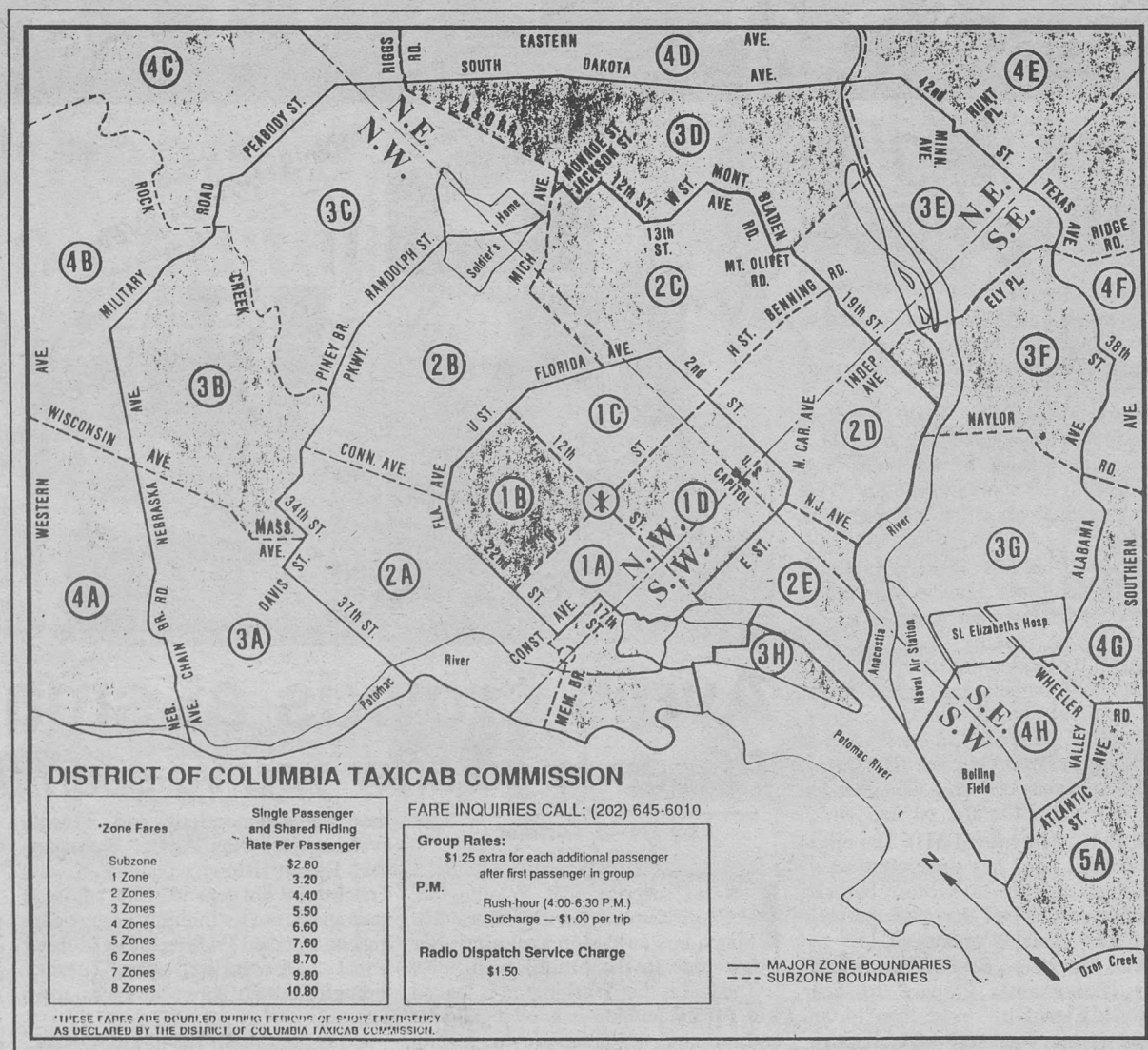
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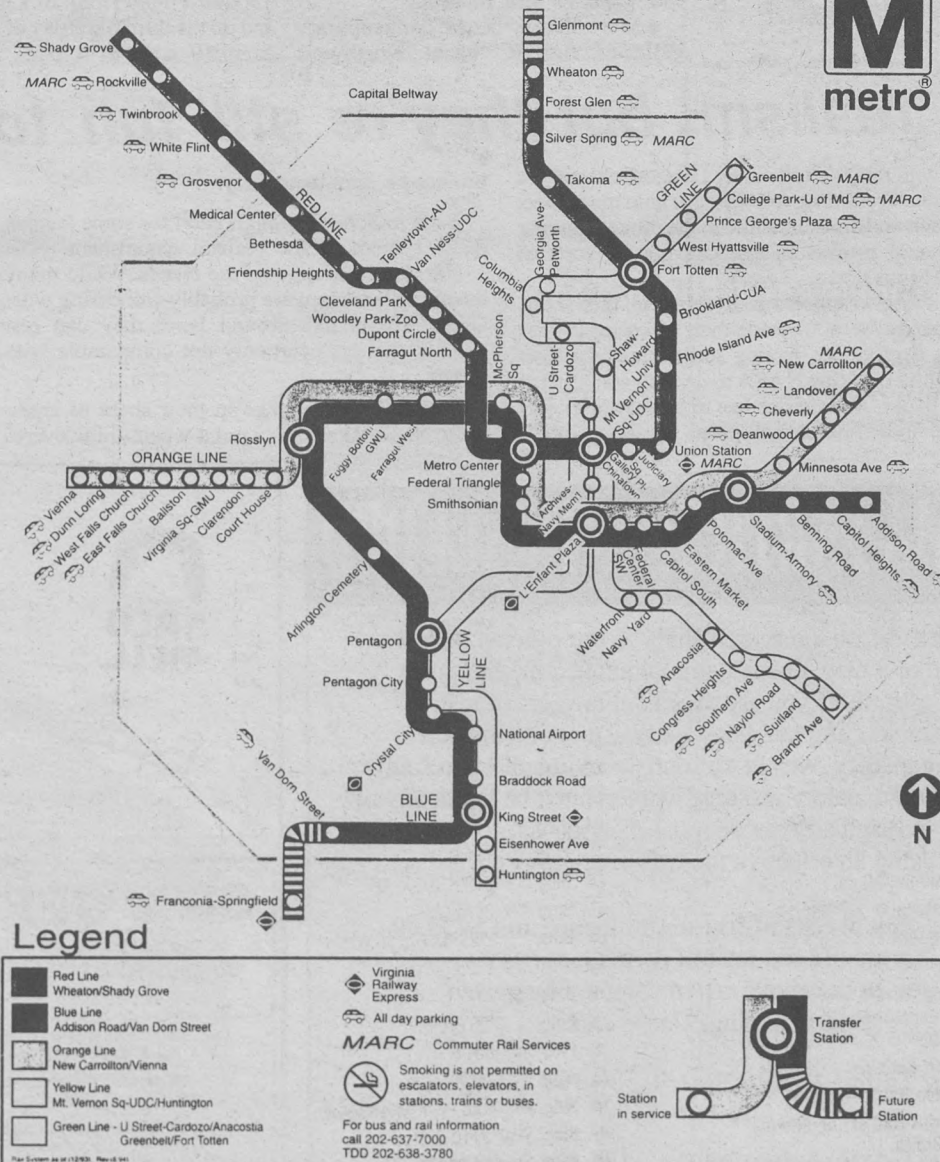
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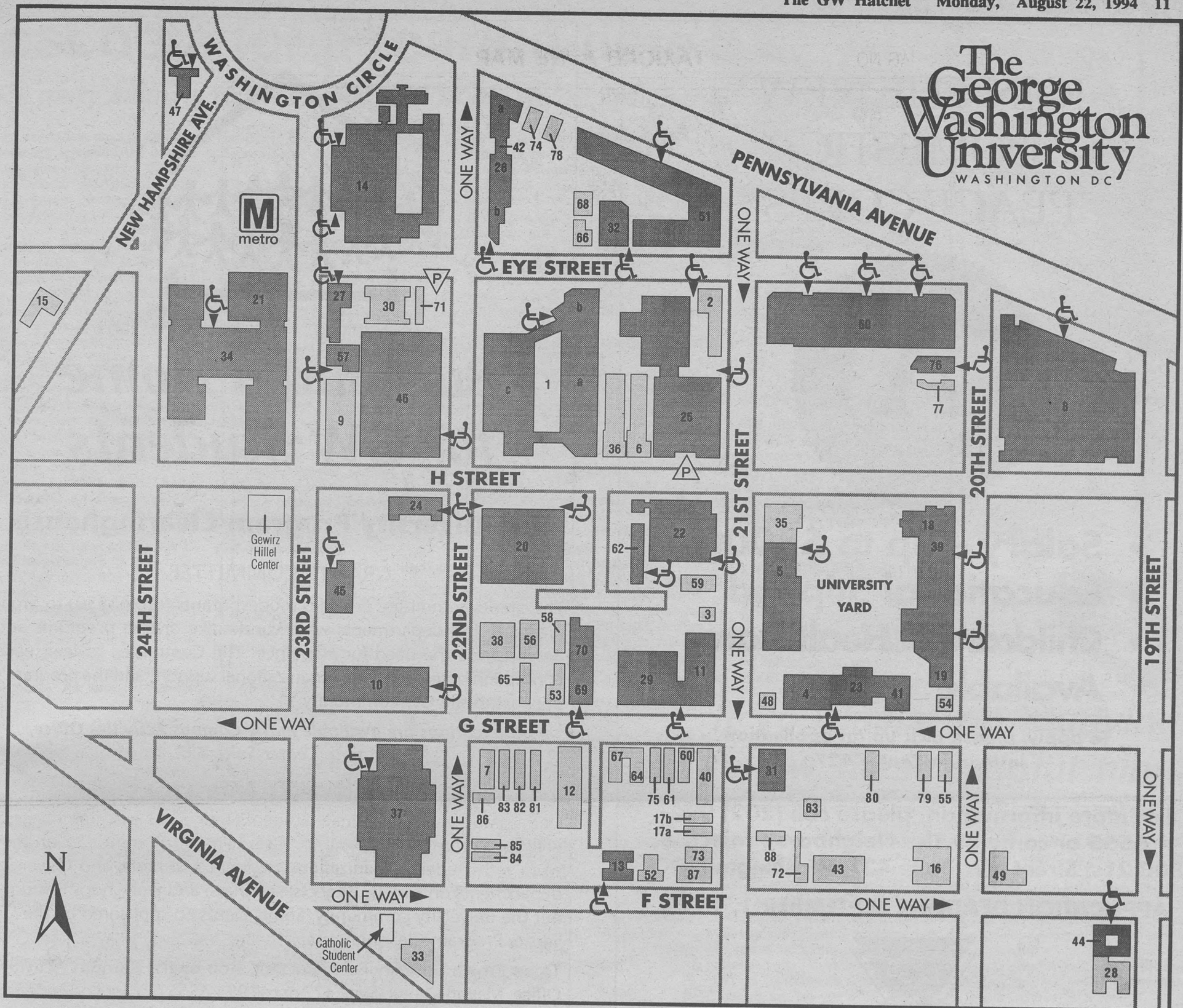
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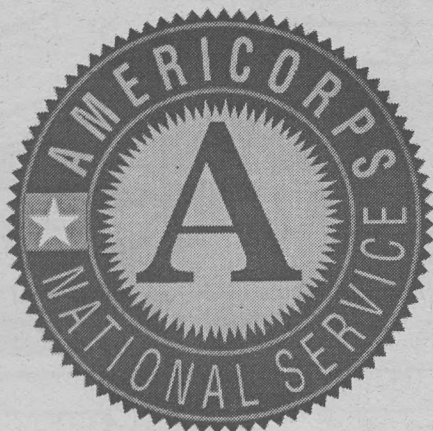
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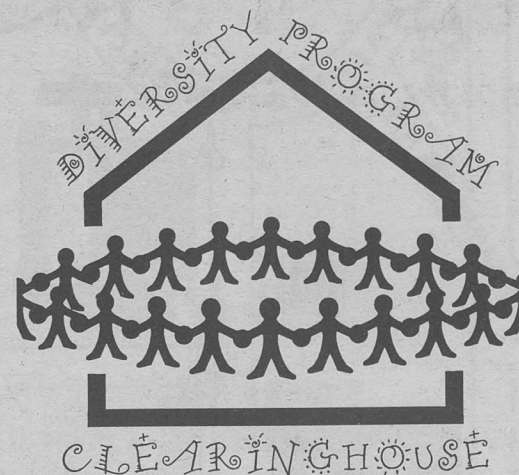
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Track party animals to D.C.'s wild and wooly watering holes

You no longer have parents watching over you every second of the day, no curfew — and no idea where the cool places to hang out on Thursday night are. The following list should be a big help. Happy hunting.

• **The Black Rooster, 1919 L St. N.W. (659-4431).** The Rooster has never claimed to be a rockin' bar, but nothing beats it for kicking back and relaxing with your friends. Good music and a close location have helped to make the Rooster a regular hangout for GW students. And the half-price burger special on Tuesdays is a true bargain.

• **The Ha'Penny Lion, 1101 17th St. N.W. (296-8075).** Although there's often a cover, there are usually cheap pitchers to complement the small dance floor with a disc jockey. Popular with the fraternity crowd.

• **The Sign of the Whale, 1825 M St. N.W. (785-1110).** A real homey parlour with a Moby Dick motif. They even serve "whale burgers" on the menu, but it's probably just some catchy way to harpoon a burger or two. In the winter, the owners light up the fireplace for that extra special warm feeling.

• **Crow Bar, 1006 20th St. N.W. (223-2972).** It's dark, there are pool tables in the basement and a good jukebox. What more is there to ask for in a bar? A young crowd into local music hangs out here. The three-dimensional

Forbidden Planet room upstairs is decorated like a cave.

• **The Red Lion, 2040 I St. N.W. (659-0444).** Right across from Adams Hall, on the same block as 2000 Penn. Many GW students haven't really discovered the Lion. It's a small tavern, but it's got character and has been around for ages.

• **Dove and Rainbow, 2550 M St. N.W. (466-3848).** A decent sports bar that favors GW teams, the D and R has quality pizza (the spinach and feta cheese is out of this world) and half-price pitchers some nights.

• **Insect Club, 625 E St. N.W. (347-8884).** They serve bugs and were on MTV once. Enough to make any place cool.

• **Andalusian Dog, 1344 U St. N.W. (986-6364).** Named after the movie, this happening surrealist bar serves *tapas* and has a short but decent beer list. The interior is based on Salvador Dali's art, with winged loaves of bread shellacked on the ceiling and papier-mache eyeballs everywhere.

• **The Big Hunt, 1345 Connecticut Ave. N.W. (785-2333).** Continuing the animal motif here, this bar is chock full o' animal heads on the walls in a jungle-like atmosphere. And all the booths have tents over them, too. Stop by for the best draft list in the city.

Here are a few others we like, even

though they don't have cool animal names in their titles:

• **The Brickseller, 1523 22nd St. N.W. (293-1885).** Without a doubt the coolest bar in the city, if not in the world. If you're a beer connoisseur, or would like to be one, check out the Brick. At last count, this fine establishment just north of Dupont Circle offered around 550 fabulous brews from around the world. It's not a cheap night out, but it's well worth it. Good burgers, too.

• **Mr. Eagan's, 1343 Connecticut Ave. N.W. (331-9768).** Talk about a hole in the wall. Not far from the Roxy, this little pub puts Mr. Henry's to shame. It doesn't have particularly nice decor, but that gives it its charm. Usually not too crowded, but then again it's somewhat of a hike from campus.

• **Casey's Bar & Grille, 2524 L St. N.W. (333-1200).** Located where Pennsylvania Avenue and L Street meet (just a stumble and fall from Mick's), Casey's sports that dark wood interior and rumpled dress shirt clientele endemic of the Eastern seaboard. A bit pricy, but the food is excellent and a better pint of Guinness simply can't be found within the Beltway. Perfect for special occasions or a last-call spree (the bartender has been known to line up complementary shots of Black Bush whiskey around 1 a.m.).



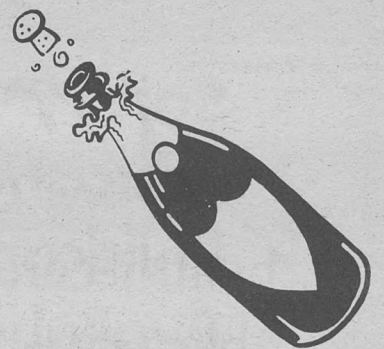
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Mr. Henry's on Pennsylvania Avenue is popular with the GW crowd.

• **GG Flippers, 915 21st St. N.W. (466-5567).** To everyone who's been on campus more than two weeks, it's called Henry's. Kinda reminds us all of our freshman year.

there's something special about Henry's. An Indian restaurant during the day, at night it becomes the most happening place around. On weekends, especially, it's so packed no one can move.

• **Mr. Henry's, 2134 Penn. Ave. N.W. (337-0222).** What can we say about Rocky, Raoul, Pedro and the gang? The atmosphere is velvet and cheesy, the beer is expensive compared to most and the ventilation is bad. Fat, naked ladies in seductive (?) poses in the cracked frames on the red velvet walls are enough to make anyone cringe, but



If you insist on studying, follow these helpful hints

It's unfortunate, but true — you will have to spend at least a small amount of time here at GW in the pursuit of your degree. This means you will have to study. For those of you who made it through high school with a lot of B.S.-ing and butt-kissing and a little work, here are some tips on how to function in a world where your professor doesn't give a damn if your dog ate your homework:

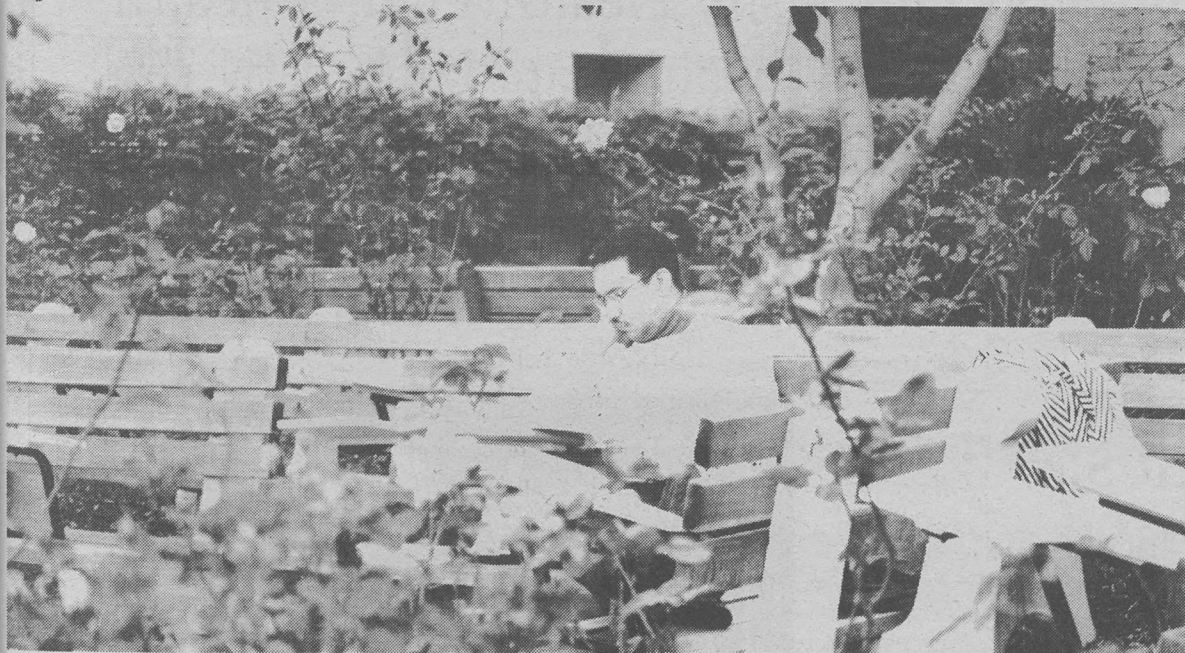
• Find a place to study where there are few (or ideally, no) distractions. Thurston Hall is basically one big distraction, so unless you have amazing powers of concentration, you will need to find another sanctuary. On warm, sunny days, the Mall is a good place to hang out with your books (unless you're a compulsive people-watcher). Ditto the University Yard. Gelman Library is OK sometimes, but not when you're stuck in the fifth-floor study lounge with 30 Sigma Nu pledges.

• Find the right time to study. If you're an early bird, you're in luck; not many freshmen are, so you'll be able to find peace in your own room.

• Study ahead of time for tests. This is a piece of advice often given but never followed; every college student knows cramming doesn't work, but does it anyway. Start reviewing a week in advance, but get your coffee maker ready for the night before.

• Don't go to Henry's, come home and try to write a paper. It's been done before, many times, but people usually learn their lesson the first time. Friends don't let friends study drunk.

-Donna Brutkoski



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A student soaks up some sun and knowledge in the Rose Garden behind Lisner Auditorium.

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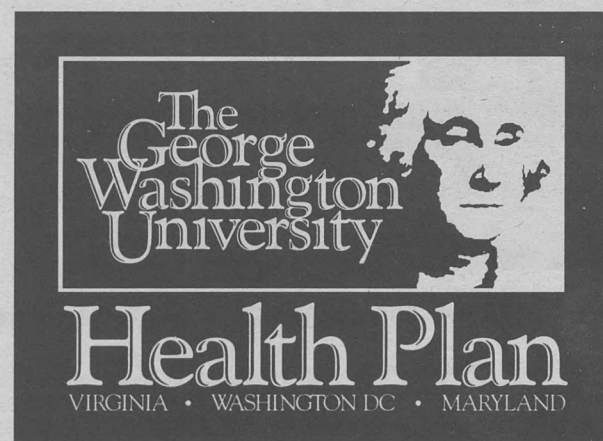
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The best and worst of D.C.

by Elissa Leibowitz
Editor in Chief

Best Philly cheesesteak: The Philadelphia Cheesesteak Factory. While the cheesesteaks here hardly compare to the ones you scarf down on South Street, the Factory's steaks aren't too bad. A little too much pepper in the meat and a little pricey, though.

Worst Philly cheesesteak: Roy Rogers: Hellloo? Stick to burgers, Roy.

Best local newspaper column: Tie between the Washington City Paper's "News of the Weird" and anything The Washington Post's Tony Kornheiser writes. "News of the Weird" makes for good conversation, and Kornheiser beats the pants off former funny man Dave Barry with sharp sarcasm.

Worst local newspaper column: "Bob Levey's Washington" in The Post. The man refers to himself in the third person ("Mrs. Levey's oldest son"), begs his readers for cash ("Send a kid to camp") and prints "heartwarmers of stories" that are anything but. And he's on the comics page.

Best bathroom: Planet Hollywood. It's similar to that "Saturday Night Live" skit where the bathroom attendant in the restaurant helps the guy on the john do everything. Well, not THAT similar. Planet Hollywood loos have a counterful of perfume, cologne, hairspray, even deodorant for customers to sample and primp with. Plus, there are these huge, lit-up red lips stuck on the walls that give Planet Hollywood's bathrooms an eerie, crimson glow.

Worst bathroom: The Exchange. No wonder you walk by and see more guys in the alley than in the potty. Pretty heinous.

Best place to study: the East Wing Garden Room of the National Museum of Art. It's quiet, it's cold and it's serene. Just don't fall asleep.

Worst place to study: tie: Gelman Library and George's. Gelman is crowded and noisy. George's distracts you with six different TVs blaring different soap operas all at once.

D.C.'s best-kept secret: the National Building Museum. From the outside, the Judiciary Square museum looks like a renovated factory. But the inside is a glorious, banquet hall-like room with enormous marble columns and the best gift shop in the city.

D.C.'s worst-kept secret: the Albert Einstein Memorial. The life-size bronze statue seems hidden on the property of the National Academy of Sciences at 23rd Street and Constitution Avenue Northwest, but it actually can be a tourist trap. It's still great to climb on his lap and take a Santa-like photo, though. And how many tourists know that if you face Albert and talk to his nose, the echo is almost perfect?

Best pizza: Roma Pizza at L'Enfant Plaza. The crust is thin, the sauce is pungent and the oregano is heartily sprinkled. Served on your own tiny oven pan.

Worst pizza: Pizza Hut pizzas at the Courtyard Cafe at 4 a.m. You'll wonder who's been up longer: you or the pizza.

Best GW-sponsored activity: Spring Fling. Free food, good weather and good bands make for a pretty decent afternoon on the quad.

Worst GW-sponsored activity: The Homecoming parade. If you're ever waken up at 9 a.m. by five trombonists pulling a Radio Flyer wagon covered with chicken wire and Kleenex, realize that you and maybe six actual spectators are witnesses to the lamest Homecoming on the face of the earth.

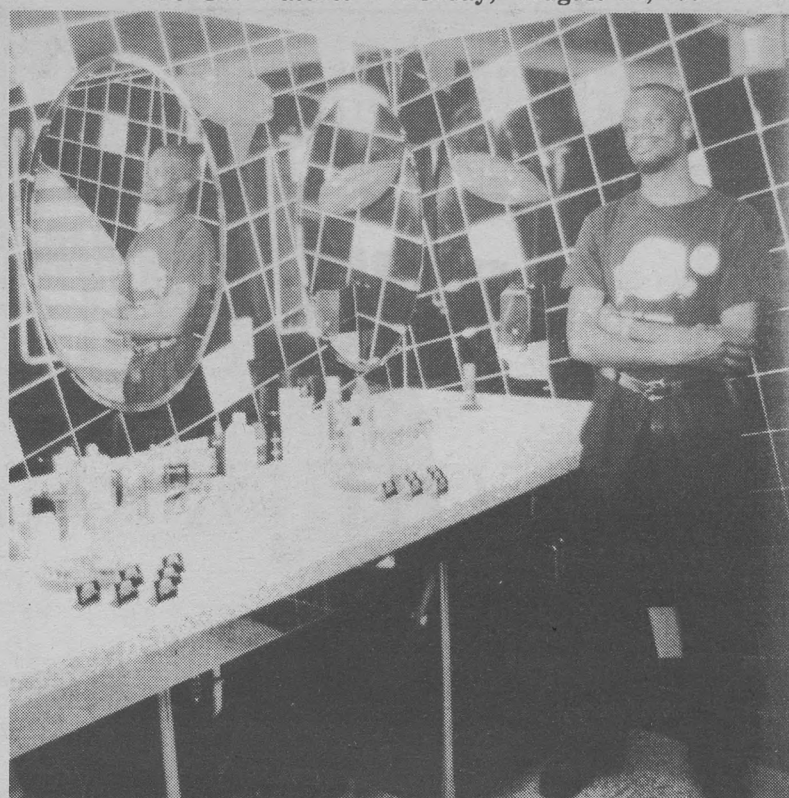


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Restroom attendant Mark Leslie aims to please at the Planet Hollywood Restaurant.

GW revamps link to info highway GWIS2 alleviates Internet gridlock of outmoded system

by Andrew Tarnoff
Associate Editor

For several years, GW students have had free access to the ever-growing Internet. Now, GW is making it easier than ever for students to start "surfing the Net."

This fall, the Computer Information Resource Center will introduce GWIS2, the successor to the overburdened GWIS computer system.

"GWIS2 will continue to serve as GWU's campus-wide information system, but will, in addition to a menu-driven interface, offer complete UNIX shell access (like UNIX1)," CIRC Senior Programmer Analyst Mike Ellis said in an interview conducted over the Internet.

In less technical terms, GWIS2 will combine and replace GWIS and UNIX1, offering powerful Internet tools in an easy-to-understand menu system, as well as a more advanced computer language for sophisticated jobs.

Last year, GW's Internet systems were becoming bogged down as they became more popular. "Both computers, but especially GWIS, have become victims of their own popularity," Ellis said. "Over 60 concurrent logins frequently slowed these systems down to the point where lack of responsiveness became frustrating."

But the replacement of these computers ensures GW that their new systems will be able to grow to meet the University's needs, Ellis said. The new server is an advanced system with plenty of memory, 256 megabytes and 24 gigabits (about 24,000 megabytes) of hard disk space.

GWIS2 will incorporate the same features found in GWIS and UNIX1, including electronic mail, software downloading and access to thousands of electronic newsgroups. But it also will let students access their grades, their class schedules and phone numbers and addresses of other students.

Not all of these features will be available when the new computer system goes on-line, Ellis said. But after a gradual phasing out of GWIS and UNIX1, GWIS2 will become fully functional.

Ellis said getting an account will also be easier. "Any student, faculty or staff-person can receive an Internet account at no charge," Ellis said. Currently, students must sign up for an account in person at CIRC in the Academic Center. Later this fall, however, students will be able to get an account on-line, Ellis said.

Students can access the Internet in one of three ways. On campus, students can use an ISN unit, which is a connection via their computer in their room, without owning a modem. Off-campus

students or faculty can also dial in to GWIS with a standard modem and a personal computer. Those without PCs or Macintosh computers can use the labs in the Marvin Center, the Academic Center, Gelman Library or the residence halls.

Learning to use e-mail takes just a little know-how

So now you have an Internet account. What do you do with it?

The most popular feature of the Internet, as well as the easiest to use, is the built-in electronic mail capability.

E-mail is an instantaneous, free way to send mail to anyone with an account anywhere in the world. GWIS, for example, utilizes a self-explanatory program that requires only an e-mail address to get your letter to its destination. An e-mail address must be typed exactly, with no spaces and no errors. For example, a message sent to hatchet@gwis.circ.gwu.edu would get to The Hatchet within a few seconds of its transmission.

Accessing the Usenet newsgroups is a slightly more involved, but still relatively simple, task one can use the Internet for. By typing "tin" at the command prompt in UNIX1, or by navigating through the menus in GWIS, the user can enter a world of discussion on thousands of topics through the newsgroups. The topics are broad, ranging from the benign (alt.fan.david.letterman and comp.sys.mac.games) to the bizarre (alt.tonya.harding.spank.spank and alt.fetish.star.trek.). These groups consist of postings, or short messages and replies to points of interest within the topic.

Check out alt.klingon.shared.reality for some really strange threads.

For the serious hacker, the Internet offers File Transfer Protocol. Anyone using FTP can obtain literally thousands of pieces of software, including digitized pictures and sounds, games and lyrics to almost every song ever written. There are also countless academic pursuits that can be accessed through FTP.

Whatever your level of involvement is on the Internet, it is necessary to learn a few abbreviations commonly and unavoidably found when taking a cruise on the information superhighway. This list is quite abbreviated:

• IMHO — in my humble opinion

• LOL — laughing out loud

• :) — a smiley face, :) — wink

• to flame — to thoroughly chew out some neophyte who thinks he or she knows everything there is to know about a given subject.

This is just a smattering of what you need to know to enter the world of cyberspace. CIRC offers lessons on navigating the Internet, but the best way to learn is to watch and ask questions.

If it helps, this wise author's e-mail address is tarnoff@gwis.circ.edu. and he loves to get mail. :)

-Andrew Tarnoff

by Elissa Leibowitz
Editor in Chief

Q: What should I have received over the summer?

A: Students should have received copies of their Offer of Financial Aid to sign and mail back to the financial aid office. They also should have received a Perkins loan packet if they applied for that loan. That packet included a questionnaire and a copy of their promissory note. Work study students might have received a mailing from Career Services. If your financial aid paperwork was missing any documents (for example, your W-2 forms) call the office.

Q: I'm a new student at GW. What do I need to do during the first week of school?

A: Anyone new to the University who has a federal Stafford loan for the first time must participate in an entrance interview before the loan is dispersed. Interviews last about a half hour to 45 minutes and will be in the Marvin Center. Signs around campus post the times for the interviews, which fall during the first week of classes. Any student who has a Stafford loan for the first time or who plans to have one sometime during his or her college career needs to attend an entrance interview.

Q: The first week of school usually is hectic. When should I go to the Office of Student Financial Assistance?

A: The lines at the office usually are shorter first thing in morning. But during the first week of school, the lines will be out the door at all hours. Your best bet is to complete your financial aid business in the Marvin Center during the Financial Aid Days. During the first week of school, you should see a counselor at the financial aid office for serious problems only. If your question can hold off until the second or third week of classes, it's probably best to wait.

Q: What is considered a "serious problem?"

A: Serious issues you should take care of immediately include: if you did not receive a financial aid package over the summer, if your family circumstances have changed or if you need to turn in a missing item for your package.

Q: If I call the office or drop by, what information should I have ready?

A: Students should know their Social Security numbers and should know exactly what their questions are. It's also a good idea to have any copies of your Offer of Financial Aid and any other relevant papers.

Q: I have a Perkins loan. What do I need to do?

A: Students with Perkins loans must sign promissory notes each semester. Students can sign them during the Financial Aid Days in the Marvin Center during the first week of each semester.

Q: I have work study. How do I find a job?

A: A list of work study positions are available in the Career Services office in the Academic Center, room T-509. Students should call the Career Center at 994-6495 to check on availability. Right now, more than 1,180 jobs on and off campus are available. Students should go to the Career Services office to pick up the hiring forms and a booklet that lists all the names of the available jobs.

Q: Help! I never received my financial aid package. What do I do?

A: You should go to the financial aid office immediately to find out the status of your package. Maybe your paperwork was lost in the mail, or maybe the office is missing some information from you. Hopefully, you did apply for aid. If not, that's a different story. It's important, however, not to panic.

Q: I took some courses over the summer at a different university but am receiving credit here. Is there anything I should give to the financial aid office?

A: You should obtain a financial aid transcript from that university, regardless if they gave you financial aid. GW needs to include this in your records. If you do not turn in a transcript, it could jeopardize your financial aid package.

Q: When do I need to reapply for financial aid?

A: GW's financial aid packets are available the end of February on the third floor of Rice Hall and are due by March 30.

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Most students find instant access to cash a must. All of the area banks have free ATM service at any of their locations and many

charge a minimal fee for ATM use at another bank's location. If you frequently use ATMs, be sure to choose a bank with convenient locations, because however minimal, the fees can add up.

Before choosing a bank, ask about each accounts requirements. Most banks have accounts suited for college

students, but they vary in their services and fees. Find out if the bank has a minimum balance requirement for checking and/or savings accounts. Also, beware of pushy tellers who may try to talk you into an account you do not need or may not be able to afford. It's your money, so choose what works best for you.

~ Jennifer Hanson

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SPORTS

GW sports gear up for new year

AD Kvancz brings successful background to GW

by Kynan Kelly
Sports Editor

The GW athletics department has a new director, but, for the most part, the fall programs are continuing in the same successful direction as last year.

Jack Kvancz assumes the athletic director reins from Steve Bilsky, who left GW in June to take the same position at the University of Pennsylvania, his alma mater. Kvancz, who is becoming something of a journeyman athletic director, was the AD at George Mason University for 12 years prior to his appointment.

Kvancz has lived in Fairfax, Va., for 17 years and has been involved in area athletics ever since manning the athletic director and men's basketball head coach positions at Catholic University from 1974-82. He is currently president of the Colonial Athletic Association.

During his tenure at GMU, Kvancz saw seven Patriot programs head into postseason play — a total of 27 times over the past 10 years. With his move to GW, he inherits an athletics program

with a similar history of success and an overwhelming potential to achieve much more this season.

GW's athletic prowess was recognized last year after the awarding of the second annual Hanes-Atlantic 10 Commissioner's Cup for overall excellence in conference-sponsored sports. The basketball programs have gained the most notoriety lately, as the men have made NCAA Tournament appearances the last two years, including a trip to the Sweet 16 in 1993.

The women's basketball team competed in postseason tournaments during the past four years, with three NCAA Tournament showings. In fact, the Colonial Women are the winningest basketball team — men or women — in the D.C. area over the past four seasons with a .734 won-lost percentage.

GW's women's gymnastics team has competed in the NCAA Southeast Regional each of the past four years. Head coach Margie Cunningham lost a major component of her team when J.J. Tolhurst transferred to the University of Massachusetts over the summer. Never-

theless, she can look forward to another highly competitive year in the Atlantic 10.

Women's soccer head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski is set to test her nine returning starters against the toughest schedule in the history of the program.

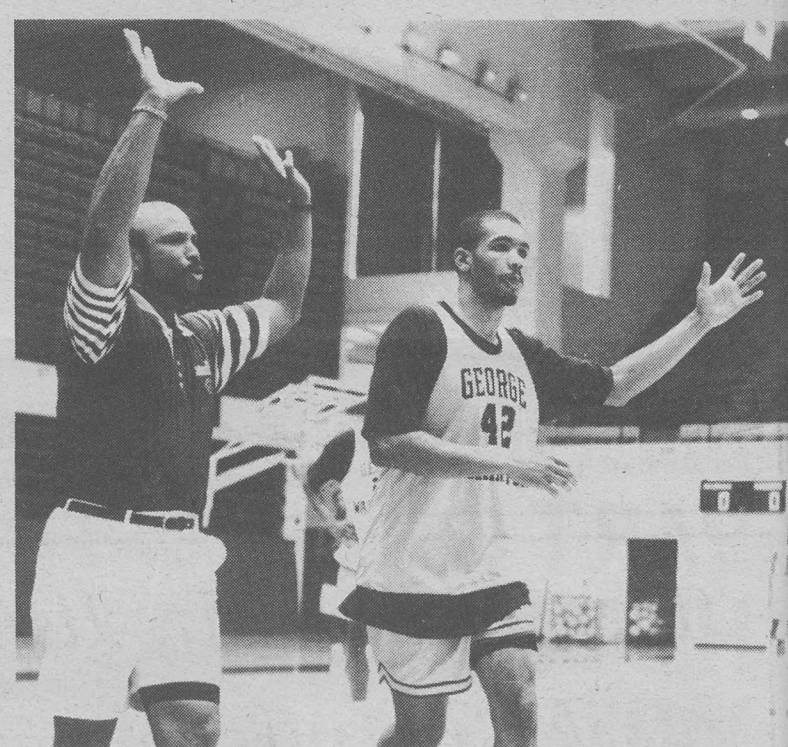
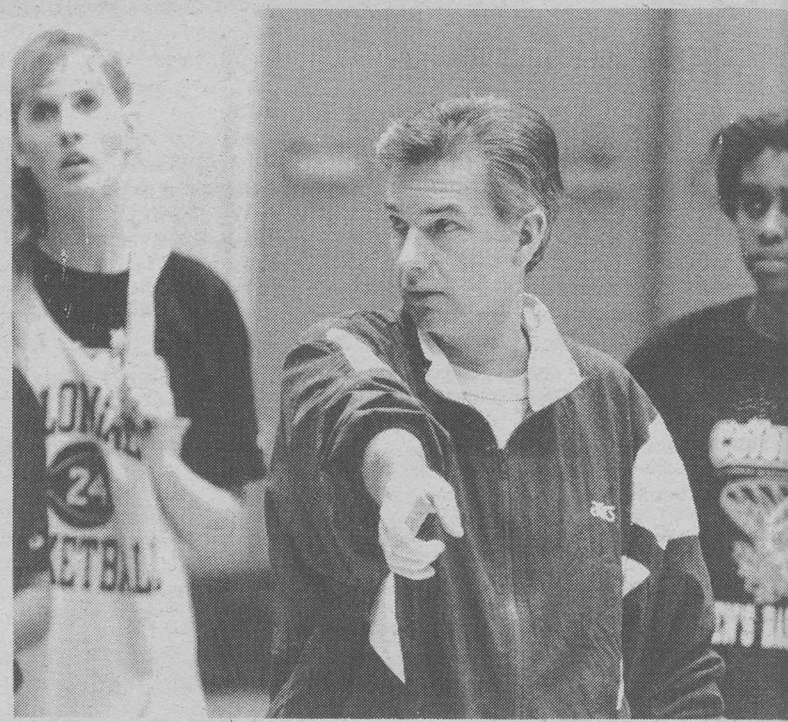
The Colonial baseball team earned NCAA Tournament showings in 1992 and 1989, and the volleyball team made its first appearance in the NCAA Tournament last year.

GW also saw its first tennis singles player (Yann Auzoux) and swimmers (Bambi Bowman and Meghan Mitchell) reach the NCAA Championships in 1993-94.

Newly appointed cross country head coach Greg Coan should enjoy instant success if the collective talent and experience of his teams are any indicator. The program's inaugural recruiting classes of 1991 are coming of age, and senior Tina Kearchner will spearhead the women's team, which returns all but one of its top runners. Senior Eric Woronick, a first-team, all-conference selection, will lead the experience-laden men's squad, which also boasts seniors Alex Murray, Dave Sawyer and Joe Beck.

After an exemplary recruiting year, the water polo team and head coach Andy Turnage are set for another competitive year on which to build. Newcomers Brent Stoll and Peter Clifford, both signed in early May, should contribute mightily to Turnage's solid squad.

Colonial Women's basketball head coach Joe McKeown (top) preaches court spacing to his squad as Martha Williams and Erica Weir grab a breather. Men's basketball head coach Mike Jarvis (bottom) admonishes Nimbo Hammons and his team to keep their hands up on defense.



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Sometimes it seems as if the only restaurants in the area are T.G.I. Friday's, Mick's and Bertucci's — good standbys when you want a quick meal not too far from campus.

Then there are those nights when you have a few hours to kill, a couple of bucks filling your wallet and a few friends or a date to dine with.

The following suggestions are among the hundreds of restaurants in the District that should be sampled before you graduate:

• For a local flavor, nothing beats **Old Ebbitt Grill**, 675 15th St. N.W. (347-4800), a block from the White House and across the street from the Treasury Department. A favorite with the political crowd and the site of a few scenes from *In the Line of Fire*, Old Ebbitt offers both a historical setting and great food. Call for reservations because there usually is a wait, particularly on the weekends. Old Ebbitt Grill is also a great place for Sunday brunch.

• Another favorite among the locals is **Kramerbooks and Afterwords Cafe**, 1517

Connecticut Ave. N.W. (387-1462), in Dupont Circle. A progressive bookstore opens into an open-air dining area, giving customers a place to browse while waiting for a table. Live music is often featured, and the desserts are excellent, especially the Dysfunctional Family Sundae. The coffee tends to be pricey at \$3 a cup. And the management seems to frown on those patrons who bring books to their tables before paying for them.

• If ribs sound appealing, try **Red Hot and Blue Memphis Pit BBQ**, 1600 Wilson Blvd. in Arlington (703-276-7427) and 1120 19th St. N.W. (466-6731). Expect huge, messy platters of Tennessee-style meats and quick service. The atmosphere is relaxed, and the place is often crowded. Your best bet is to go between 5 and 6 p.m. during the week or to call in a take-out order and stroll over to pick it up. The onion loaf is a must.

• If you don't want to venture too far from campus, walk a few blocks to the **Tequila Grill**, 1990 K St. N.W. (833-3640). A Southwestern/Mexican restaurant, the Tequila Grill features

great dishes. The service is friendly and quick,

and the complimentary tri-colored nacho chips with salsa or bean dip are filling. The taco salad and the enchilada platter is both huge and delicious.

• It's 3 a.m. and you're restlessly hungry. The **Georgetown Diner**, 1623 Wisconsin Ave. N.W. (333-0215), is a hike into Georgetown, but it's worth the experience. The food is so-so, but the diner is one of the only establishments around that's open all night. A jukebox plays favorite hits from the '80s, the plastic tablecloths are invariably ripped and the chairs are a medley from several peoples' kitchens. It's a fun place to go with a group after an evening out.

• If you're in the mood for classier pizza, there's no better place than **Pizzeria Paradiso**, 2029 P St. N.W. in Dupont Circle (223-1245). This tiny restaurant serves up what is by far the best pie in town. And if you care about how your food looks, the pizza is artfully arranged.

• Ethnic foods are not difficult to find in the D.C. area. For delicious, authentic Argentinean dishes, **Las Pampas**, 3291 M St. N.W. (333-5151), is a great place to try. The atmosphere

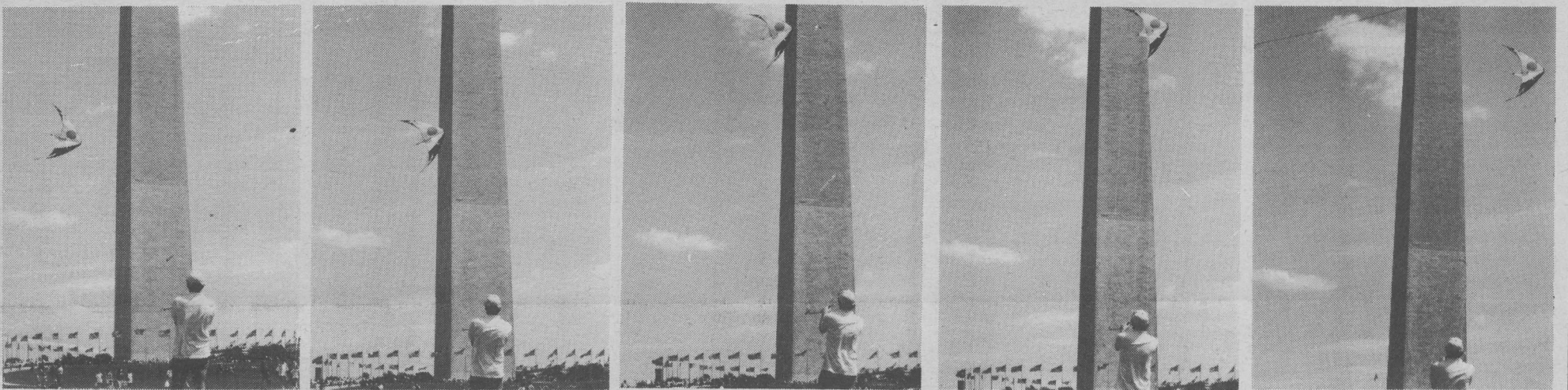
is romantic and some of the dishes offered were featured in the film *Like Water for Chocolate*.

• **Filomena Ristorante of Georgetown**, 1063 Wisconsin Ave. N.W. (338-8800), is one of many fabulous Italian restaurants in Georgetown. The menu offers wonderful and hard-to-pronounce dishes beyond the normal spaghetti fare. The pasta is fresh and tasty, too. Desserts are selected from a display in the front of the restaurant, while the waiters and waitresses bring Sambuca to the table after your meal. Filomena's is expensive, though, which makes it the perfect place for Parents' Weekend.

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